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SUBJ: PROPAGANDIST'S COMMENTS ON ANGOLA

1. LENINGRAD PUBLIC PROPAGANDIST A. N. ZOLOTAREV COMMENTED ON ANGOLAN SITUATION DURING FEBRUARY 8 REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. HIS REMARKS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2. THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA IS STILL DIFFICULT. ONE CANNOT YET SAY THAT TUKSAG THCUIOIDR.# MANY AFRICAN STATES

HAVE NOT RECOGNIZED THE MPLA IGXISE#OF PRESSURE FROM THE US, ZAIRE, ENGLAND, AND CHINA, AND ONE MUST TAKE THIS FACT INTO ACCOUNT. BUT ZAIRE HAS RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL NOT LET ENGLISH MERCENARIES CROSS INTO ANGOLA FROM ZAIRE. AND UGANDA'S IDI AMIN HAS SAID THAT THE OAU WOULD DENOUNCE UNITA AND THE FNLA IF THESE FACTIONS USED MERCENARIES FROM ENGLAND. THUS, THE SITUATION IS CHANGING SINCE THE US AND OTHER CAPITALIST COUNTRIES DO NOT WANT TO LOSE THEIR POSITION IN ALL OF AFRICA OVER USE OF MERCENARIES IN ANGOLA.

3. THE SOVIET UNION DOES NOT HIDE ITS ASSISTANCE TO ANGOLA, BUT THERE ARE NO SOVIET MILITARY THERE. THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANGOLANS PARTICULARLY LIKE THE SOVIET ROCKETS--OUR

"KATUSHKA." THE CUBANS ALSO DO NOT HIDE THEIR
ASSISTANCE TO THE ANGOLANS. THE CUBANS HAVE SAID THAT
THEY HAVE LONG HELPED REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS AND THAT
ANGOLA GAVE THEM A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE THIS.
(CONGEN COMMENT: THE AUDIENCE FOUND THIS REMARK VERY
FUNNY).
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